

Tropospheric Emissions: Monitoring of Pollution (TEMPO)



Project Approach

- Responds to an NRC Decadal Study element of GEO-CAPE
- Examines Tropospheric air-pollution from space
- ➤ Measurements built on heritage from 5 spectrometers flown in LEO, operational algorithms
- ➤ TEMPO is an imaging grating spectrometer targeted for hosting on GEO satellite nadir deck for viewing GNA
- ➤ Low resource requirements, ensuring flexibility
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Primary Science Objectives:

- Collect simultaneous high temporal and spatial resolution measurements of pollutants over Greater North America (GNA)
- ➤ Measure the key elements in tropospheric ozone chemistry and aerosol cycles
- ➤ Observe aerosols and gases for quantifying and tracking evolution of pollution
- ➤ Integrate observations from TEMPO and other platforms in models to improve representation of processes
- Determine the diurnal instantaneous radiative forcings associated with pollutants and other climate agents on the continental scale.